

Stimulus Money Will Help Create Clean Energy Jobs in Western New Mexico

SANTA FE – Governor Bill Richardson and Congressman Harry Teague today announced that \$250,000 in federal stimulus money will be used for infrastructure to help create jobs in Cibola County.

Governor Richardson this week awarded the money from stimulus funding he has discretion to use for New Mexico projects. The \$250,000 will go to the state Department of Transportation to replace a culvert crossing in Seboyeta. The bridge is key part of Cibola County's efforts to improve access to a site that is being considered for a wind energy project.

"This investment is a great opportunity for Cibola County to create jobs and contribute to the clean-energy industry we're building for New Mexico," Governor Richardson said.

"The benefits of the funding being announced today for Cibola County will not end with the revitalization of this road," Congressman Teague said. "With just this one infrastructure investment, Cibola County will be able to welcome a wind energy project that will bring much needed new jobs to the area while helping to secure an energy independent future for America. I want to congratulate Commissioner Michael on this significant grant and thank Governor Richardson for his efforts to bring this funding to Cibola County."

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